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## **Finmeccanica: Selex ES awarded a contract of about EUR 40 million for Falco System in a Middle East Country**

Selex ES, a Finmeccanica company, has been awarded a contract worth about EUR 40 million to deliver the Falco system to a Middle East Country. The agreement, signed during DSEi exhibition that is taking place in London with the presence of Finmeccanica's Chairman Giovanni De Gennaro, includes operational and maintenance support activities to the customer for 12 months of the contract performance.

Falco is an operationally proven, tactical, medium altitude, medium endurance Unmanned Aerial System for defence and security surveillance applications, designed to supply a net-centric command and control with a tactical overview of the operational scenario and target cueing in real time.

Currently operated by a range of international customers in diverse and extreme climate and geographical conditions, the Falco system is a mature asset that can be easily integrated within existing air management infrastructures and is delivered to its customers with a comprehensive set of operational and logistic support services including pilots, sensors and mechanical operators training, advanced logistic support, battlelab simulators.

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